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The style of the book is most attractive and its connection close and amooth. The characters are spiritedly drawn and there is it it enough of the romantic coloring and trend of an earlier day to remove it entirely from the realms historic, psychologic and nolitice, which have invaded much rand



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extravagance in living, with everything ready to hand by inheritance for the sons of fathers who have heaped up wealth tend to speed the course of their sons in every folly imaginable, to stife their energies, viliate their tastes and make them models of ease-loving and luxury-seeking degenerates.

The dramatic situations in the book are very striking, its philosophy is very sound, and the nose of warning it atrikes, very timely and very clear.

"South African Folk Tales."

By James A Honey, M. D. The Baker & Taylor Co. of New York \$1.00 net. This book embraces a callection of South African tribal (ales translated from the native speech by Dr. Honey, who hopes in his introduction "that they may prove of some value to Americans, who have an interest in animals or who appreciate the folk-lore of other countries."

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oThe Story of Greet Inventions."

By Elmer Ellsworth Burns. Harper and Brothers, of New York. \$1.25.
This book begins with the age of Archimedes, the first great inventor, and dwells upon the use of his inventions in the defense of the discovery of the Archimedean principle and of ancient Greek inventions.

The age of Galileo and his battle for truth in introducing the telescope come next. Them Torricelli and the barometer. Otto von Guericke and the pressure of air and steam, Pascal and the hydraulic press, and Newton, with his theory of gravitation.

The third chapter of the book begins the eighteenth century, and talks about James Wati's steam engine. Benjamin Frankin's lightning-rod, Galiwanis electric current and volta's electric battery. Most interesting is the story of Count Eumford's expertment with cannon in producing heat without fire, of Davy's safety lamp for miners of Faraday's electrical discoveries of his first electric motor and dynamo.

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"There's a Reason"

Charles Habilaton, at the Henry Clay Inn.

Mrs. Hugh Dencon and son have returned home after a visit to Mrs. Charles Bridges.

Mies Gertrude Crenshaw, who has been the guest of Mrs. Barrett Sydnov, returned to her home in Richmond on Friday.

Miss Nita Blincoe has entirely recovered from her recent illness.

Misses Birdle Dedarnett and Agnes Wright returned to the Southern Sominary to-day, after spending the holidays with their parents here.

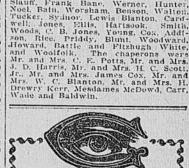
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Mrs. H. Drewry Kerr entertained the Bridge Class on Friday afternoon.

The Young Ladies' Interart Club met on Thursday, after an intermission of two weeks. Instead of a lecture, which was on the program for the afternoon. Miss Margret Lee read an interesting paper on 'Carthage—His importance in the World's Early History, Disputes With Rome, Destruction.' Afterwards an informal round table was held on the subject of magazine reviews. At the close of the liferary program the tea committee, composed of Misses Stuart Blanton, Marguerite Wightman and Mary Nowman Jones, served refreshments. The guests of the evening were Misses Emma Blanton, Katherine Kent and Jessie Butley, of Charleston, S. C.

The Chesterfield Cotillion Club gave a delightful New Year's dance on Thursday night. The auditorium was prettily decorated in fraternity and college pennanta and Caristmas greens, Among the Jancery were Misses Gerfrude Cremsaw, Emily Wade, Grace Vest and Sartha Sutherland, of Rich-



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